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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior Application:

Art Unit: Not Assigned

Examiner: L. Smith



SIR: This is a request for filing a

- Continuation □ Continuation-in-Part □ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. <u>09/485,536</u> filed <u>February 14, 2000</u> of <u>Brigitte GICQUEL et al.</u> for POLYPEPTIDE NUCLEIC SEQUENCES EXPORTED FROM MYCOBACTERIA, VECTORS COMPRISING SAME, AND USES FOR DIAGNOSING AND PREVENTING TUBERCULOSIS.
- Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application, including the drawings, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. <u>09/485,536</u> as originally filed on <u>February 14, 2000</u>, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2.

 Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
- 3. □ Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 1.22(b)(2)(B)(i).
- 4. Cancel Claims <u>2-74</u>
- 5.

 A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 6. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 5 above.

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- 15. □ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
- 16. □ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION</u>. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, Serial No. <u>09/485,536</u>, filed <u>February 14, 2000</u>, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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Date: <u>May 16, 2001</u>